



US Army Corps
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Alaska District

Public Notice of Application for Permit

Regulatory Division (1145)
CEPOA-RD
Post Office Box 6898
Elmendorf AFB, Alaska 99506-0898

PUBLIC NOTICE DATE:	June 18, 2007
EXPIRATION DATE:	July 17, 2007
REFERENCE NUMBER:	POA-1989-517-P
WATERWAY:	TWELVEMILE ARM

Interested parties are hereby notified that a Department of the Army permit application has been received for work in waters of the United States as described below and shown on the enclosed project drawings.

APPLICANT: United States Forest Service, Federal Building, 648 Mission Street, Ketchikan, Alaska 99901; (907) 228-6231.

AGENT: Ms. Michele Parker, U.S. Forest Service, Post Office Box 309, Petersburg, Alaska 99833.

LOCATION: The project site is located within Section 7, T. 75 S., R. 84 E., Latitude 55.3880° N., Longitude 132.7011° W.; and Section 13, T. 75 S., R. 83 E., Latitude 55.3725° N., Longitude 132.7191° W.; Copper River Meridian, USGS Quad Map Craig B-3; in Twelvemile Arm, near Hollis, Alaska.

SPECIAL AREA DESIGNATION: The project is located within the Tongass National Forest.

PURPOSE: The applicant's stated purpose is to provide a location to store and transfer U.S. Forest Service timber and load on to barges for export.

PROPOSED WORK: Reactivate the existing Twelvemile South Log Transfer Facility (LTF). Work would include constructing a 36-foot by 30-foot long bulkhead, a settling basin and outlet pipe and a rock berm around the perimeter of the upland pad, and reconstructing a 20-foot wide low angle equipment ramp. Approximately 6,779 cubic yards of material would be placed in 1.08 acres of intertidal area.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: The existing LTF at Twelvemile East would be decommissioned by removing the existing log bulkhead and associated fill, restoring beach below the high tide line to original contours. Approximately 4,700 cubic yards of material would be removed and placed in an upland location.

MITIGATION: The applicant has proposed to remove fill associated with the Twelvemile East LTF, since it is not suitable for the project needs.

WATER QUALITY CERTIFICATION: A permit for the described work will not be issued until a certification or waiver of certification, as required under Section 401 of the Clean Water Act (Public Law 95-217), has been received from the Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation.

COASTAL ZONE MANAGEMENT ACT CERTIFICATION: Section 307(c)(3) of the Coastal Zone, Management Act of 1972, as amended by 16 U.S.C. 1456(c)(3), requires the applicant to certify the described activity affecting land or water uses in the Coastal Zone complies with the Alaska Coastal Management Program. A permit will not be issued until the Office of Project Management and Permitting, Department of Natural Resources has concurred with the applicant's certification.

CULTURAL RESOURCES: The latest published version of the Alaska Heritage Resources Survey (AHRS) has been consulted for the presence or absence of historic properties, including those listed in or eligible for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places. There are no listed or eligible properties in the vicinity of the worksite. Consultation of the AHRS constitutes the extent of cultural resource investigations by the District Commander at this time, and he is otherwise unaware of the presence of such resources. This application is being coordinated with the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO). Any comments SHPO may have concerning presently unknown archeological or historic data that may be lost or destroyed by work under the requested permit will be considered in our final assessment of the described work.

ENDANGERED SPECIES: No threatened or endangered species are known to use the project area. Preliminarily, the described activity will not affect threatened or endangered species, or modify their designated critical habitat, under the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (87 Stat. 844). This application is being coordinated with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS). Any comments they may have concerning endangered or threatened wildlife or plants or their critical habitat will be considered in our final assessment of the described work.

ESSENTIAL FISH HABITAT: The Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, as amended by the Sustainable Fisheries Act of 1996, requires all Federal agencies to consult with the NMFS on all actions, or proposed actions, permitted, funded, or undertaken by the agency, that may adversely affect Essential Fish Habitat (EFH).

Preliminarily, the described activity may affect EFH in the project area. This Public Notice initiates EFH consultation with the NMFS. Any comments or recommendations they may have concerning EFH will be considered in our final assessment of the described work.

TRIBAL CONSULTATION: The Alaska District fully supports tribal self-governance and government-to-government relations between Federally recognized Tribes and the Federal government. Tribes with protected rights or resources that could be significantly affected by a proposed Federal action (e.g., a permit decision) have the right to consult with the Alaska District on a government-to-government basis. Views of each Tribe regarding protected rights and resources will be accorded due consideration in this process. This Public Notice serves as notification to the Tribes within the area potentially affected by the proposed work and invites their participation in the Federal decision-making process regarding the protected Tribal right or resource. Consultation may be initiated by the affected Tribe upon written request to the District Commander during the public comment period.

PUBLIC HEARING: Any person may request, in writing, within the comment period specified in this notice, that a public hearing be held to consider this application. Requests for public hearings shall state, with particularity, reasons for holding a public hearing.

EVALUATION: The decision whether to issue a permit will be based on an evaluation of the probable impacts including cumulative impacts of the proposed activity and its intended use on the public interest. Evaluation of the probable impacts, which the proposed activity may have on the public interest, requires a careful weighing

of all the factors that become relevant in each particular case. The benefits, which reasonably may be expected to accrue from the proposal, must be balanced against its reasonably foreseeable detriments. The outcome of the general balancing process would determine whether to authorize a proposal, and if so, the conditions under which it will be allowed to occur. The decision should reflect the national concern for both protection and utilization of important resources. All factors, which may be relevant to the proposal, must be considered including the cumulative effects thereof. Among those are conservation, economics, aesthetics, general environmental concerns, wetlands, cultural values, fish and wildlife values, flood hazards, floodplain values, land use, navigation, shore erosion and accretion, recreation, water supply and conservation, water quality, energy needs, safety, food and fiber production, mineral needs, considerations of property ownership, and, in general, the needs and welfare of the people. For activities involving 404 discharges, a permit will be denied if the discharge that would be authorized by such permit would not comply with the Environmental Protection Agency's 404(b)(1) guidelines. Subject to the preceding sentence and any other applicable guidelines or criteria (see Sections 320.2 and 320.3), a permit will be granted unless the District Commander determines that it would be contrary to the public interest.

The Corps of Engineers is soliciting comments from the public; Federal, State, and local agencies and officials; Indian Tribes; and other interested parties in order to consider and evaluate the impacts of this proposed activity. Any comments received will be considered by the Corps of Engineers to determine whether to issue, modify, condition or deny a permit for this proposal. To make this decision, comments are used to assess impacts on endangered species, historic properties, water quality, general environmental effects, and the other public interest factors listed above. Comments are used in the preparation of an Environmental Assessment and/or an Environmental Impact Statement pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act. Comments are also used to determine the need for a public hearing and to determine the overall public interest of the proposed activity.

Comments on the described work, with the reference number, should reach this office no later than the expiration date of this Public Notice to become part of the record and be considered in the decision. Please contact Ms. Nicole Hayes at (907) 753-2712, toll free from within Alaska at (800) 478-2712, or by email at nicole.m.hayes@poa02.usace.army.mil, if further information is desired concerning this notice.

AUTHORITY: This permit will be issued or denied under the following authorities:

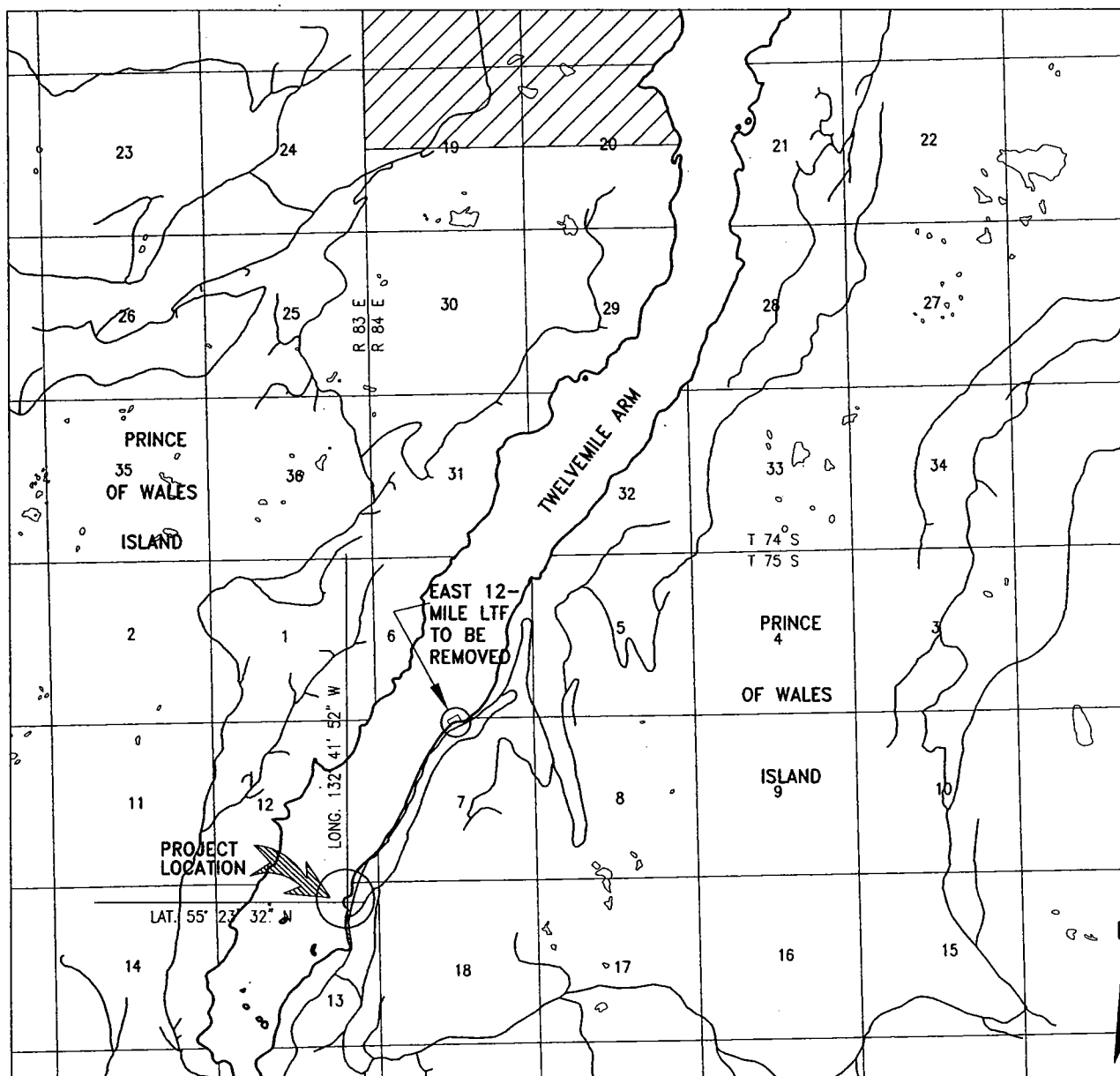
(X) Perform work in or affecting navigable waters of the United States - Section 10 Rivers and Harbors Act 1899 (33 U.S.C. 403).

(X) Discharge dredged or fill material into waters of the United States - Section 404 Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. 1344). Therefore, our public interest review will consider the guidelines set forth under Section 404(b) of the Clean Water Act (40 CFR 230).

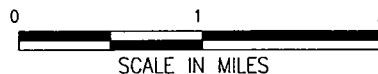
Project drawings, Notice of Application for Certification of Consistency with the Alaska Coastal Management Program, and Notice of Application for State Water Quality Certification are enclosed with this Public Notice.

District Commander
U.S. Army, Corps of Engineers

Enclosures



VICINITY MAP: USGS QUAD CRAIG B-3



SOUTH TWELVE-MILE LTF LEASE PLAN

EXTREME TIDE LINE (HTL): 21.0 FT.
 MEAN HIGH WATER (MHW): 14.7 FT.
 MEAN LOWER LOW WATER (MLLW): 0.0 FT.

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STATE & PRIVATE LAND HOLDINGS



LANDS MANAGED BY US FOREST SERVICE

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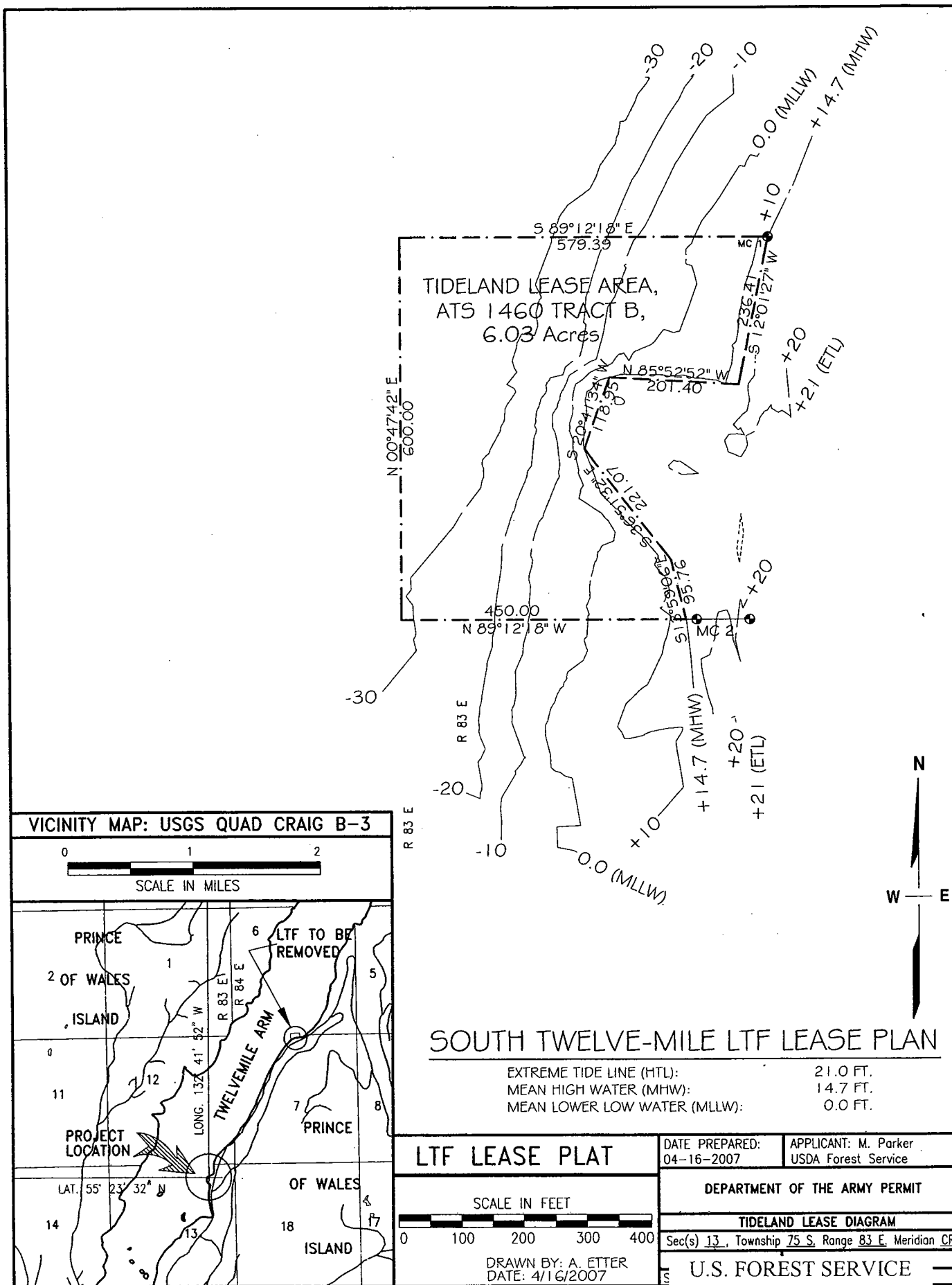
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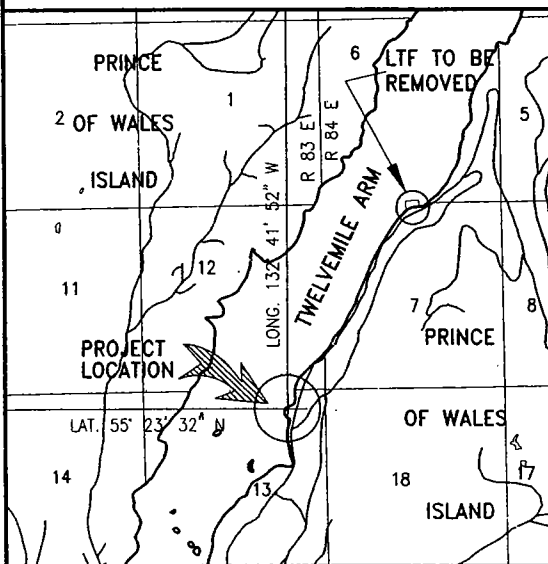
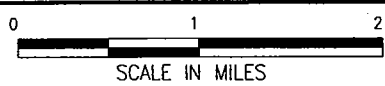
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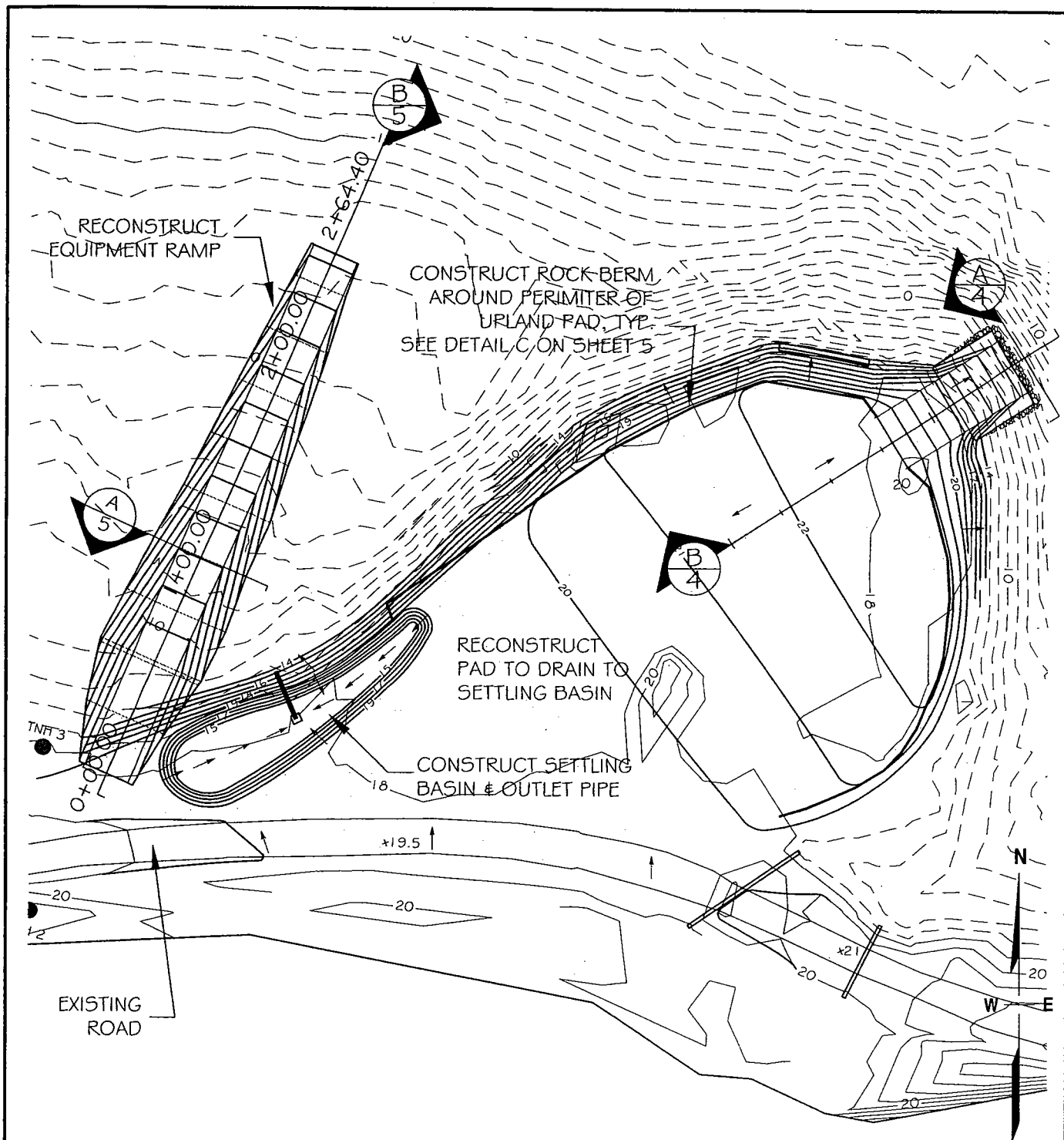
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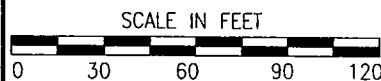
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SOUTH 12-MILE LTF PROPOSED SITE PLAN

LTF LEASE PLAT



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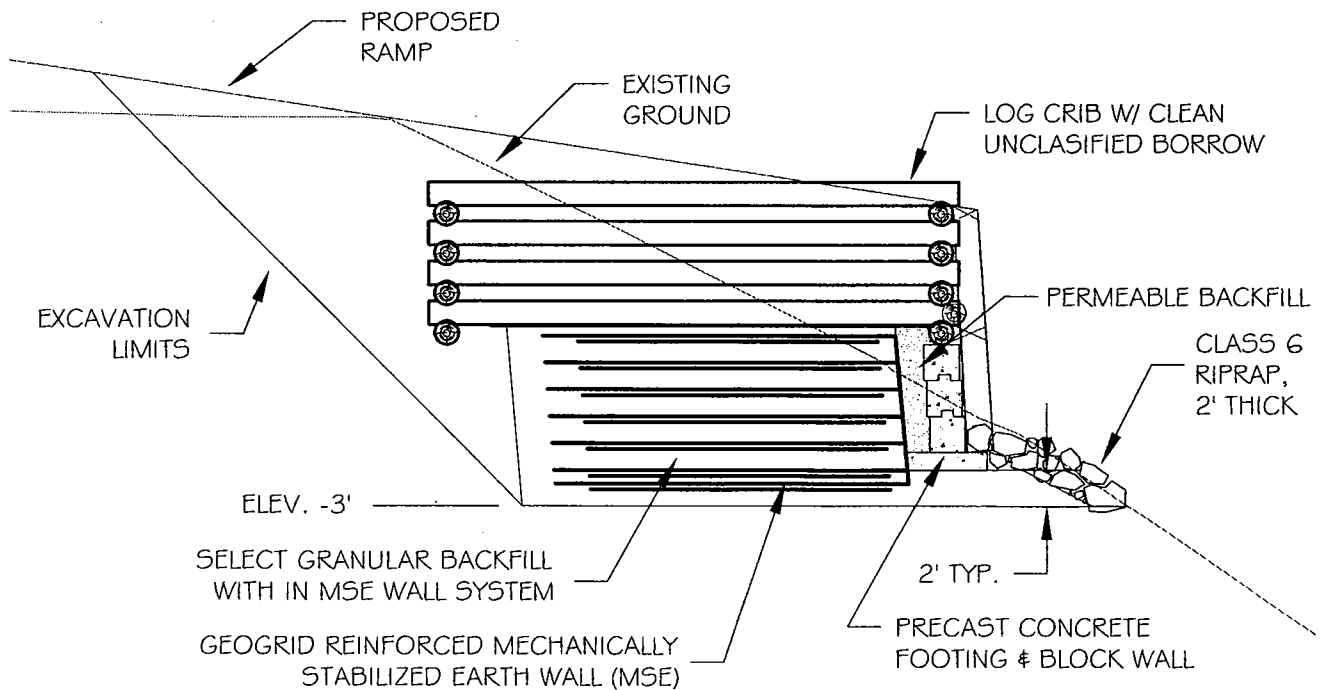
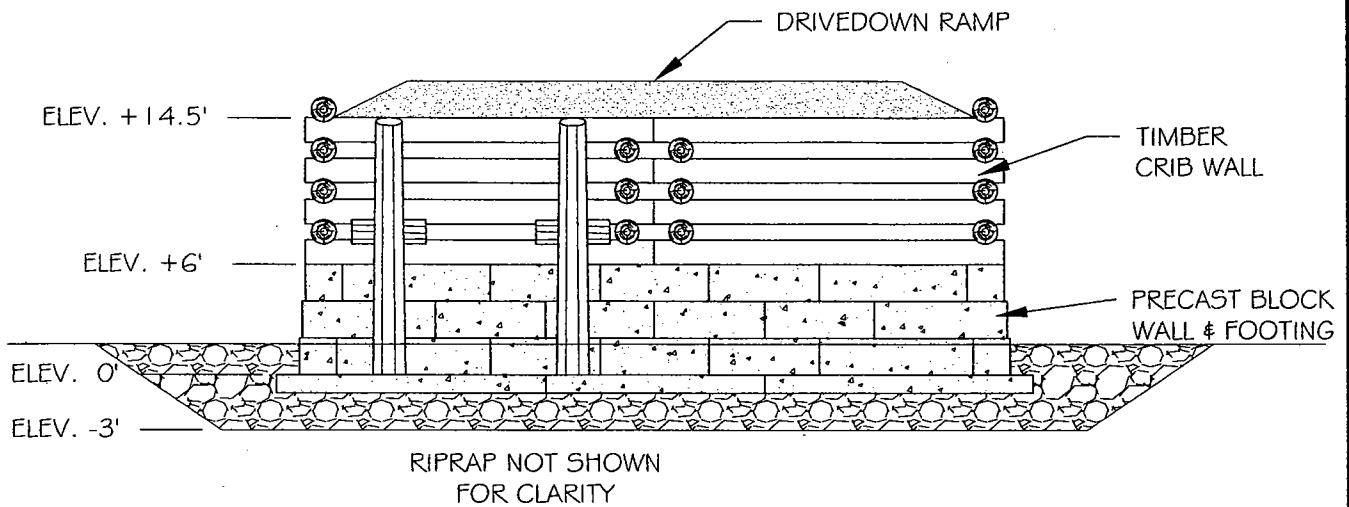
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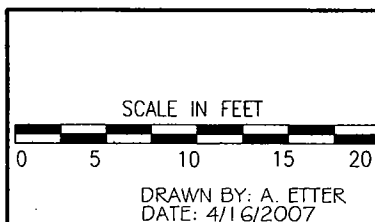
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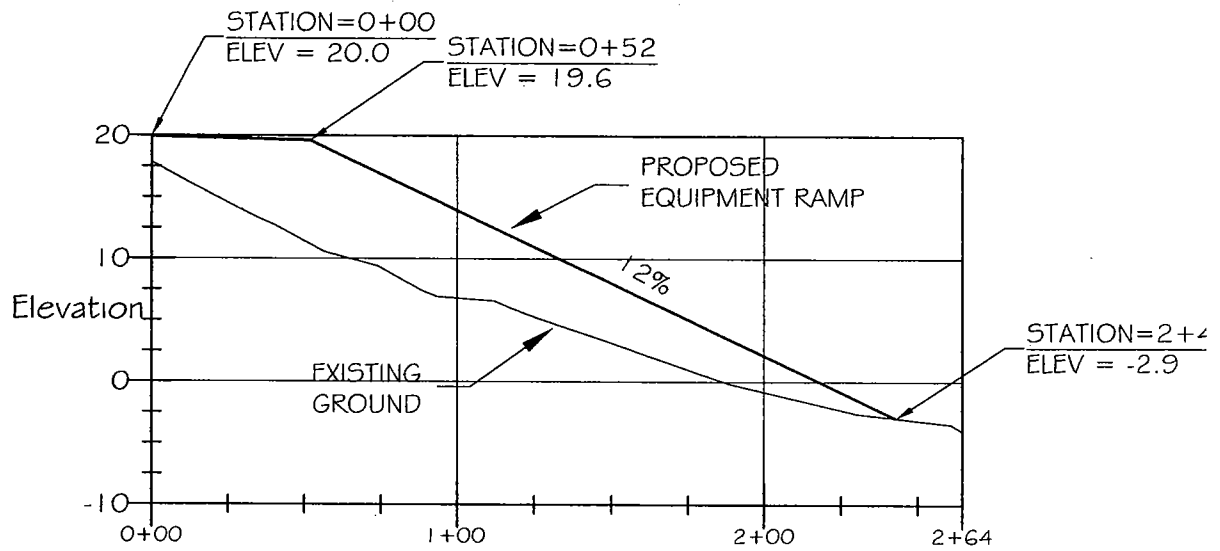
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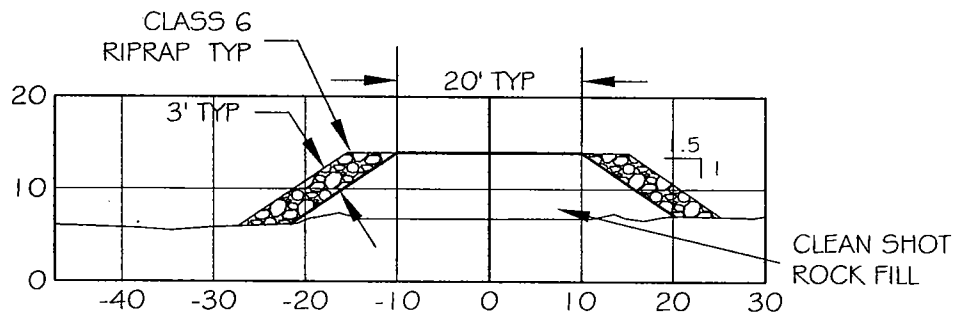
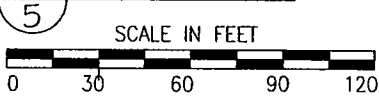
BULKHEAD FRONT & SECTION VIEW



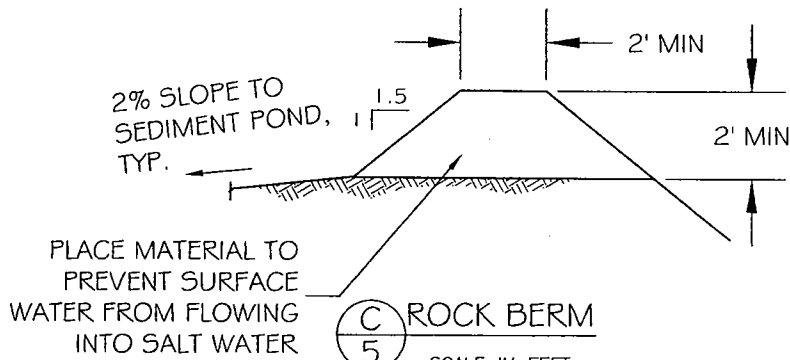
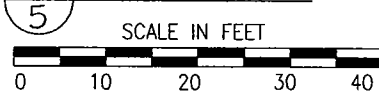
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(B) RAMP PROFILE



(A) RAMP SECTION

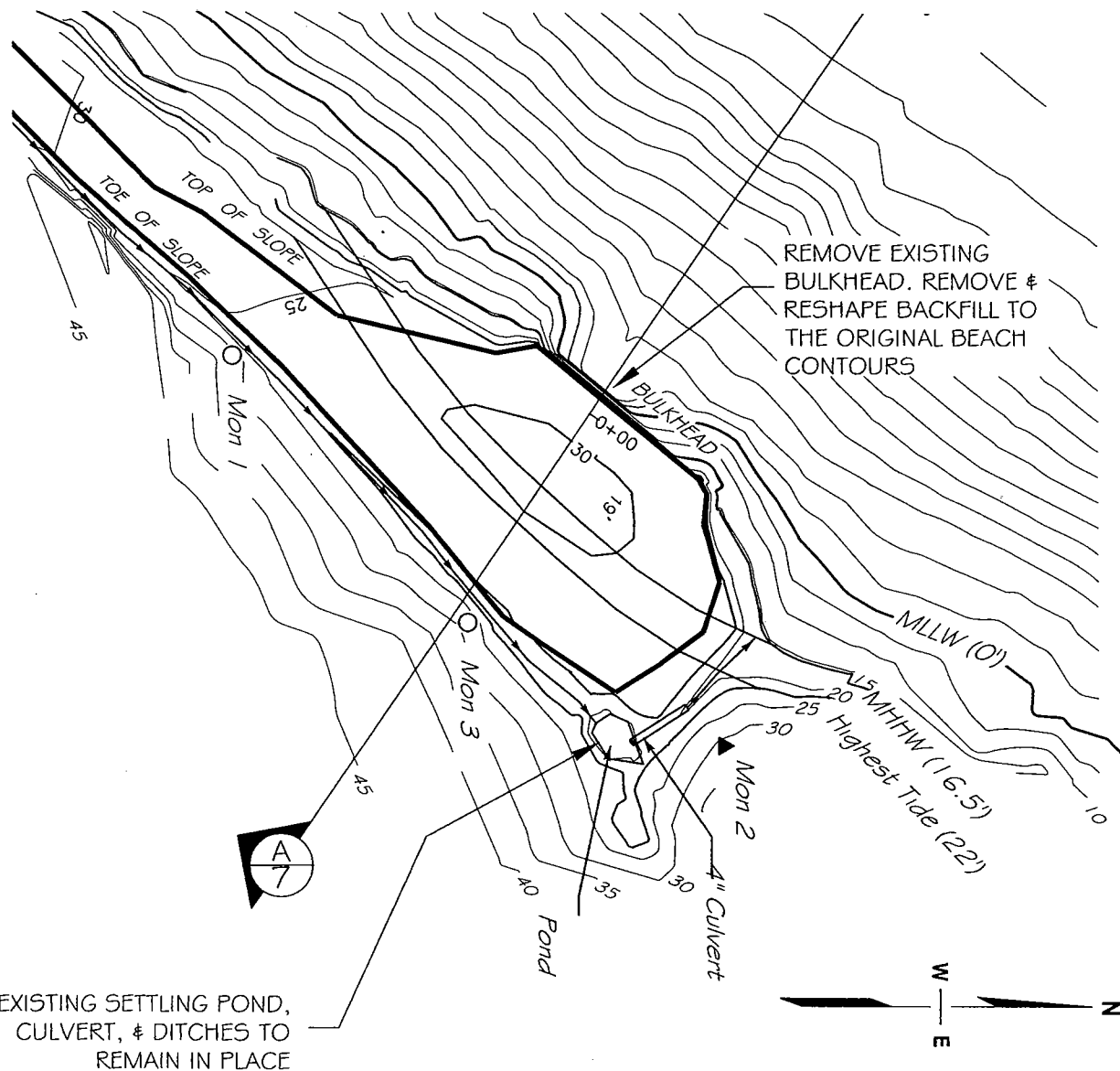


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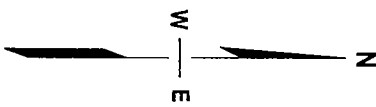
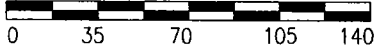
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PLAN VIEW

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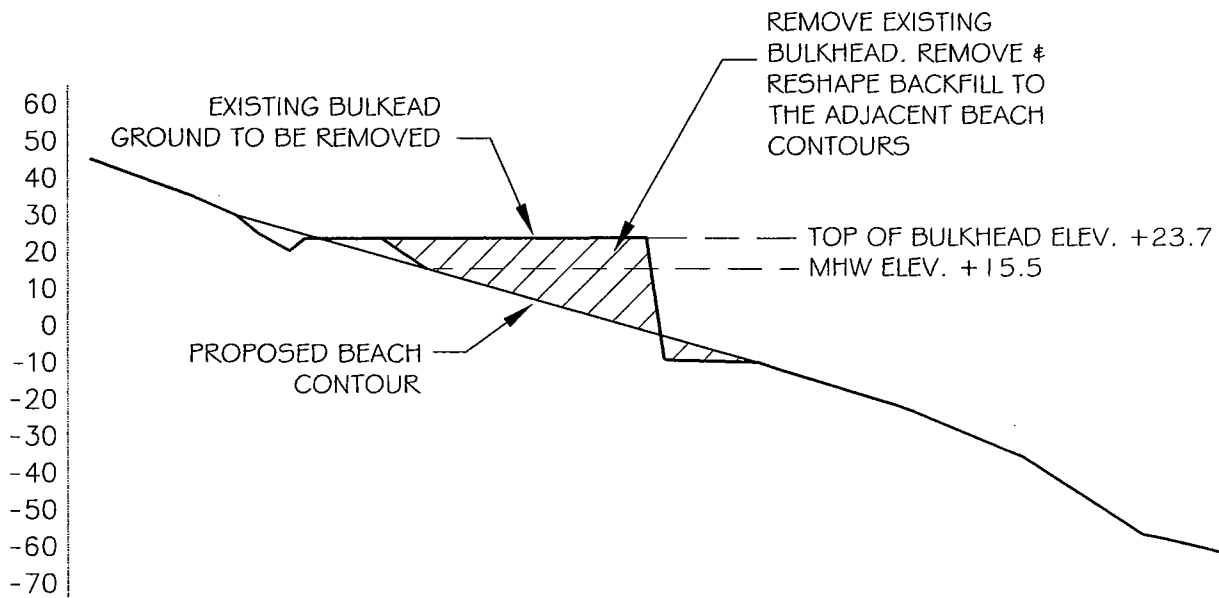


SOUTH 12-MILE EAST PLAN VIEW

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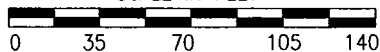
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SECTION VIEW

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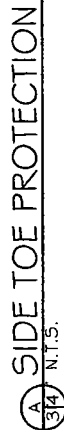
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- EXCAVATION FOR LTF STRUCTURE PER SPEC SECTION 2080.1 AND SURVEYING & STAKING PER 1520
- BORROW & PLACEMENT OF CLEAN UNCLASSIFIED BORROW IN AND ABOVE THE LOG CRIB
- PER SECTION 2040.4, METHOD E, TOLERANCE B. CONSTRUCTION OF LOG CRIB.
- INSTALLATION OF CONCRETE BLOCKS & FOOTINGS, PLACEMENT OF GEOTEXTILES & GEOGRIDS, AND BORROW, HAUL, & PLACEMENT OF 300 CY OF SELECT GRANULAR MAT'L
- 36 CY OF PERMEABLE MAT'L
- RIPRAP HAUL & PLACEMENT

- ADDITIONAL HAUL & END HAUL IS NOT REQUIRED FOR THE OPTIONAL ITEMS EXCAVATION & BORROW. IF AWARDED, SUBSTITUTE EXCAVATED MATL WITH UPLANDS BORROW (CLEAN UNCLASSIFIED BORROW) FROM PIT #1 OR 2.



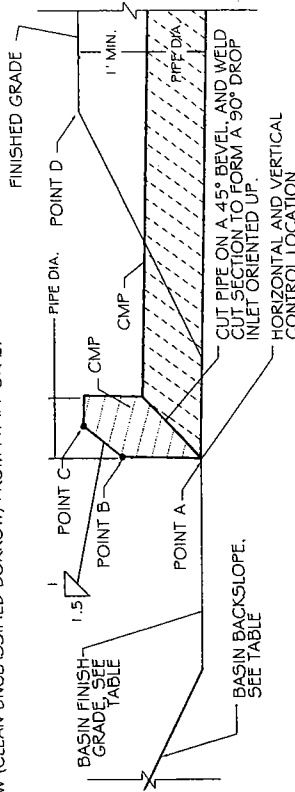
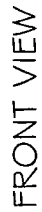
7. SPOT ELEVATIONS ARE AT FINISHED GROUND SURFACE. SEE SECTION J FOR TABLE OF POINT LOCATIONS & ELEVATIONS.

d. SOIL REMOVED FROM BASIN EXCAVATION MAY BE USED FOR FILL MATERIAL WITHIN THE SITE. EXCAVATED SILT/SEDIMENT MATERIAL SHALL BE PLACED BELOW SUBBASE MATERIAL. OTHER USE DISPOSE OF SILT/SEDIMENT OFFSITE WHERE IT CANNOT BE TRANSPORTED BACK TO THE SITE BY WATER CONVEYANCE.

9. IMPROVE EXISTING ROADSIDE DITCH LOCATIONS AS SHOWN ON PLANS WITH MINIMUM DIMENSIONS OF 1'8" DEEP AND 4'5" WIDE (AT TOP). DO NOT FILL IN EXISTING DITCH LOCATIONS WITH FILL MATERIAL TO ATTAIN MINIMUM DIMENSIONS. OVERSIZED DITCHES SHALL BE CLEANED BY REMOVING SILT, SEDIMENT AND DEBRIS AND IMPROVED TO WORKING ORDER. MINIMUM SIDE SLOPES FOR ALL DITCHES SHALL BE 1.5 (HORIZ.): 1 (VERT.)

10. FILL REQUIRED WITHIN THE FINISHED GRADE FOOTPRINT NOT DESIGNATED BY SUBBASE TYPE A OR SELECT BORROW SHALL USE UNCLASSIFIED MATERIAL.

11. DISPOSE OF CLEARING AND GRUBBING AT PIT OR AS SPECIFIED BY THE CO.



FRONT VIEW

DROP INLET & SETTLING POND DIMENSIONS/ELEVATIONS						
BASIN LOCATION	PIPE DIA.	ELEVATIONS				BASIN BACKSLOPE
		POINT A	POINT B	POINT C	POINT D	
BASIN #1	24" Ø	15.0	16.5	18.0	19.0	1.5H:1V
						1.5H:1V

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 TONGASS NATIONAL FOREST	DESIGNED: AE	DATE: 03/07	REVISION:	BY:	 12 MILE SOUTH MAF	CIVIL DETAILS	
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NOTICE OF APPLICATION
FOR
CERTIFICATION OF CONSISTENCY WITH THE
ALASKA COASTAL MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

Notice is hereby given that a request is being filed with the Office of Project Management and Permitting for a consistency determination, as provided in Section 307(c)(3) of the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972, as amended [16 U.S.C. 1456(c)(3)], that the project described in the Corps of Engineers Public Notice No. POA-1989-517-P, Twelvemile Arm, will comply with the Alaska Coastal Management Program and that the project will be conducted in a manner consistent with that program.

This project is being reviewed for consistency with the Alaska Coastal Management Program. Written comments about the consistency of the project with the applicable ACMP statewide standards and district policies must be submitted to the Office of Project Management and Permitting (OPMP). For information about this consistency review, contact OPMP at the address or phone number above, or visit the ACMP web site at <http://www.alaskacoast.state.ak.us/Projects/projects.html>.

STATE OF ALASKA

DEPT. OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION
DIVISION OF WATER
401 Certification Program
Non-Point Source Water Pollution Control Program

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION
WQM/401 CERTIFICATION
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JUNEAU, ALASKA 99801-1795
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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR STATE WATER QUALITY CERTIFICATION

Any applicant for a federal license or permit to conduct an activity that might result in a discharge into navigable waters, in accordance with Section 401 of the Clean Water Act of 1977 (PL95-217), also must apply for and obtain certification from the Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation that the discharge will comply with the Clean Water Act, the Alaska Water Quality Standards, and other applicable State laws. By agreement between the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and the Department of Environmental Conservation, application for a Department of the Army permit to discharge dredged or fill material into navigable waters under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act also may serve as application for State Water Quality Certification.

Notice is hereby given that the application for a Department of the Army Permit described in the Corps of Engineers' Public Notice No. **POA-1989-517-P, Twelvemile Arm**, serves as application for State Water Quality Certification from the Department of Environmental Conservation.

After reviewing the application, the Department may certify there is reasonable assurance the activity, and any discharge that might result, will comply with the Clean Water Act, the Alaska Water Quality Standards, and other applicable State laws. The Department also may deny or waive certification.

Any person desiring to comment on the project, with respect to Water Quality Certification, may submit written comments to the address above by the expiration date of the Corps of Engineer's Public Notice.